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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Ambassador Bunker on 9 February

1. I pointed out to the Ambassador that the next several days would be the critical phase.

2. In response to my request, we had been given authority to use COFRAM munitions. This involved the notification of our foreign allies, and I was taking this step by talking to the commanders personally.

3. We have a problem with refugees at Khe Sanh among the Cau (KHA) tribesmen. We cannot afford the helicopters to evacuate them but will get them out on a space-available basis to the extent possible. Vientiane is very concerned about this and somewhat unrealistic in their appraisal of the situation.

4. I've asked that elements of the 82d Airborne Division and a regiment of Marines be deployed as reinforcements and that the remainder of these organizations be prepared to follow as required. It is contemplated that they be moved to I Corps. It is obvious that a supplemental appropriation will be required, and, needless to say, our requirements in Vietnam will have a major impact on this.

5. The Vietnamese Marine battalions are being substituted for the depleted airborne battalions in the Hue area. Also, I'm in the process of deploying a battalion of the 101st Abn Div to the I Corps North area to reinforce the 1st Cav Div.

6. It has become necessary for me to reluctantly put troops in Saigon, but I've had no choice.

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